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Seven

## Annual Palos Verdes Home Tours are Scheduled for Saturday and Sunday

Seventh annual Palos Verdes Peninsula Home Tours will be held again next Saturday and Sunday afternoons, May 5 and 6. The affair, which affords the public an opportunity to see the distinctive homes, is being sponsored this spring by the St. Francis Episcopal Church.

This year, five homes of widely diversified interest will be shown in an area which may be covered in a period of two hours.

The show is of three fold interest, the homes having been chosen for distinctive architectural detail, attractive practical landscaping and interior decorative appeal.

The homes included on this year's tour include those of Mrs. and Mrs. Leon W. Hutchison, 404 Via Colopin, who describe their Victorian home as "Grandma's House." Ardent collectors, they utilize their magnificent Victorian glass, antique spoons and hand-loomed towels in their everyday living.

Next on the tour is the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Babe, 856 Sonoma. This is a modernistic home and the dramatic clarity of the exterior is brought to a focal point by a two story pane of glass framing an exposed stairway. Tourists' next treat will be the residence of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Bradley, 749 Via Sonoma, an exact copy of an Italian villa. Then they will see the home of Dr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Armi, 516 Paseo Del Mar. The exterior of this pleasing contemporary home is of Texas limestone with fossil formations in the stone.

The fifth home of the tour is the unusual house of rough brick and hand-hewn cedar construction, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Adams, 30108 Palos Verdes Drive West. After the tour, tea will be served in the patio at the St. Francis Church.

A point of architectural interest in beautiful Palos Verdes Estates is its incorporation of dramatic interest afforded by spectacular views and variable land contours in ways that enhance the effect of the structures.

Ticket-brochures containing a map of the tour and a description of each house will be available at the Fountain of Neptune in the center of Palos Verdes Plaza on the two afternoons of the show.

There will also be an outdoor exhibit of original water-colors done by the "Rembrandt Crew," the local painting group sponsored by the Palos Verdes Community Art Assn.

## Beryl Kent, Foreign Reporter To Address Woman's Club

Beryl Kent, foreign correspondent, will be the guest speaker at the silver tea and program meeting of the Torrance Senior Women's Club Wednesday afternoon, at 2, at the Woman's clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. Before becoming an accredited foreign correspondent, Miss Kent taught English in the New York City high schools and at Nippon University in Tokyo, Japan.

Immediately after Japan's surrender in 1945, Beryl Kent was sent to Tokyo as assistant chief of education for the Japanese women during General Douglas MacArthur's administration as supreme commander for the allied powers. More than 10,000 copies of her book, "Committees and Programs for Democratic Organization" were officially distributed to Japanese club women.

Appointed liaison between Army and Navy in Tokyo and Yokosuka, Beryl Kent was the only reporter assigned to cover the Allied Nation Conferences on Japanese reparations. Her brilliant reports of these historic meetings attended by high ranking representatives of 11 nations were released by the United States Public Information Office and Tokyo and reprinted internationally.

In the absence of program chairman Mrs. L. A. McCoy, who is attending the state convention in Berkeley, the guest speaker will be presented by Mrs. D. J. Thomsen. Mrs. M. A. Bauman, second vice president, will conduct the meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. H. L. Mitchell, who is also in Berkeley.

The silver tea to follow the program is under the direction of Mrs. Dean Sears. Mrs. Grover C. Van Deventer is co-chairman and the committee is composed of Mrs. Charles C. Schultz, Edward Sabin, M. M. Schwab, Mae Sherkey, W. C. Silence, E. L. Snodgrass, Minnie Solomon.

Guests of the program will be members of the Gardena CWF and others. The Apache Circle, Mrs. Fred Smith, leader, will have charge of the coffee hour at 9:30 a.m. The program will follow immediately and nursery care will be provided.

The Fellowship Circle meetings for the coming month are announced as follows: Business and Professional Women, Mrs. Elva Conrad, leader, will meet Wednesday, May 2, at 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. William Walsmith, 1512 Acacia.

Yakima Circle, Mrs. W. W. Jackson, leader, will meet Thursday, May 3, at 12:30, with Mrs. G. R. Crist, 708 Pine Dr. Senior Wicks, Joan Koppes, president, will meet Friday, May 4, at 4:30 p.m.

Navajo Circle, Mrs. Vida Holloway, leader, will meet May 10 at 12:30 with Mrs. Hattie McNeas, 1449 W. 216th St. Junior Wicks, Jo Beth Jackson, president, are scheduled to meet Thursday, May 10, at 5 p.m. with Janet Coleman, 3222 Eldorado.

Cherokee Circle, Mrs. Mayme Stock, leader, meets Tuesday, May 15, at 11 a.m. for a pot luck luncheon with Mrs. Grace Goad, 24712 Walnut St., Lomita.

Shoshone Circle, Mrs. C. H. Thompson, leader, meets Tuesday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. with Pat Matson, 4727 Milne Dr.

Hopi Circle, Mrs. T. M. Saine, leader, meets Thursday, May 17 at the home of their leader, 1508 Acacia.

Apache Circle, Mrs. Fred Smith, leader, will meet Thursday, May 17 at the home of their leader on Carson St.

Ozage Circle, Mrs. J. D. Dutton, leader, will meet with Mrs. R. R. Dexter on Hickory St., May 22, at 9:30 a.m.

Pima Circle, Mrs. Milton Huber, leader, will meet Tuesday, May 22, at 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. C. W. Bartholomew, 22128 Halldale.

MR., MRS. BUSH FETED AT PARTY

The aroma of orange blossoms throughout the 4902 Towlers St. home of newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bush, lent an estoppel of romance to the wedding reception given for them by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Christensen.

Mr. and Mrs. Bush were married recently in Las Vegas. Attending the reception were: Messrs. and Mmes. George Denny, Gary O'Neill, Bill Lindsey, Robert Reuter, Tom Fleson, and Mmes. Harold Hopper, Florence Bush and Norman Hopper.



PLANNING HOMES TOUR . . . of five distinctive homes on the Palos Verdes Peninsula to be held next Saturday and Sunday afternoons, are from left, Mrs. Philip Kearney, home advisor; Mrs. C. Nelson Rucker, chairman of the tour; and Mrs. Stevens McAllister, co-chairman of this seventh annual event. The tour this year is being staged by the new St. Francis Episcopal parish. After the tour, tea will be served in the patio at the church. The above committee is pictured in the gardens at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Bradley. Tickets and brochures will be available at the Fountain of Neptune in Palos Verdes Plaza.

## Alumnae Holds Puppet Shows To Aid Area Heart Patients

"Everybody loves a puppet show." And when the puppets are clowns, and popcorn and balloons are added for good measure, what child could fail to be delighted?

So reasoned the South Bay alumnae of Alpha Phi in planning their annual benefit for local heart care. The result will be three puppet parties sponsored by the sorority on Saturday, May 5 in the Eagle Hall at 128 So. Catalina in Redondo Beach. The half-hour shows are scheduled for 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Tickets for any of the three performances, including treats and favors, are available to the public. Proceeds will be given to Hawthorne Community Hospital for the benefit of heart disease patients in this area.

The shows will be produced by professional puppeteer Mrs. Fred Crall of Long Beach. Alpha Phi alumnae in charge of the benefit are Mmes. Robert Johnson, Hollywood Riviera; Gail Staker, Hawthorne, and Daniel B. Williams, Palos Verdes, any of whom are accepting reservations. May will be a busy time for the sorority locally. Mrs. H. B. Bennett Jr., Palos Verdes, will be hostess at the monthly desert meeting on the evening of Wednesday, May 2, when final arrangements will be made for the puppet parties. On May 10, the South Bay Group will host a luncheon for the Southern California Council of Alpha Phi. The Palos Verdes home of Mrs. John Leeper will be the setting for this combined business and social occasion, which will bring delegates from alumnae chapters through the southern half of the state.

At the April meeting Mrs. Guthrie Worth, Hollywood Riviera, was elected treasurer of the South Bay Club, succeeding Mrs. Robert Griffin, who will be leaving Manhattan Beach in June.



PRESENTATION . . . of a secretarial scholarship to Miss Patsy Porter, El Camino College, is made by Miss Judy Schneider, president of the Airborn chapter of the National Secretaries Association. Smiling their approval are Merl F. Sloan, director of student personnel at El Camino, and Mrs. Darline Axtell, first vice-president and Scholarship chairman of the Airborne chapter. Miss Porter will receive \$50 per semester as long as she remains in college under a secretarial major.

## Club Hostess

Mrs. Lee A. McCoy entertained the Wednesday evening bridge club at her home, 2712 Torrance Blvd. A salad course was served following the bridge games. First prize was won by Mrs. J. R. Klink Jr., second by Mrs. E. E. Clayton and "low" went to Mrs. Robert Clayton.

Mrs. McCoy's guests were Mmes. W. R. Patterson, R. C. Morton, Rod Norris, Parke Montague, J. R. Klink, E. E. Clayton and Robert Clayton.

Mrs. Morton will be hostess to the club in two weeks.

## MOTHERS' MEETING

Mothers' meeting of Den 3, Pack 228-C, sponsored by Halldale PTA, was held April 11 at the home of Mrs. Lon Venable. The mothers discussed the den's participation in the Scout-a-scope.

The regular pack meeting will be held Friday evening April 24, at 7 p.m. in the Halldale auditorium.

A combination mothers' meeting and dinner has been planned for May 9 at 7:30 p.m. The place will be announced later.

## CWF Circles Will Hear Rev. W. Ford

Rev. Wesley Ford of Pasadena Central Christian Church will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Christian Women's Fellowship of the Torrance Christian Church tomorrow. Rev. and Mrs. Ford have recently returned from a trip to the Holy Land. He will speak on the trip and show pictures.

## Party Fetes Bolles Family In New Home

A surprise housewarming was given on Saturday evening, April 21 for Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Bolles and children, Tommy and Maria, who recently moved into their new home, 1501 W. 187th St. They formerly lived at 1851 Reynolds Dr.

Serving as hostesses for the affair were Mrs. James Munce and Mrs. P. A. Feppard. The group of friends presented the family with a patio chaise lounge.

After a number of games, the group then enjoyed a barbecue dinner in the patio around the fireplace.

Attending the affair were: Messrs. and Mmes. Melvin Copeland, C. L. Jones, Howard Jones, Gilbert Armstrong, P. A. Feppard, Jack Butters and daughter Mrs. Zhenette and Suzette; Virgil Bolles, James Munce, Tom Stockman, Wallace Bolles, B. R. Morris and William Rodgers.

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(Harlan Studio Photo) MISS CECELIA ERBE . . . Makes Wedding Plans

## Erbe-Rooney Nuptials Slated For May 5 at St. Catherine's

Mr. and Mrs. Francis R. Erbe are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage on May 5 of their daughter Cecelia to Arthur Rooney. Nuptials will take place at 11:30 a.m. at St. Catherine Labourer Catholic Church.

Bride-elect is a graduate of Inglewood High School and attended El Camino Junior College.

The benedict, who is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hurst of 3806 180th Place, is a graduate of Grover Cleveland High School of New York and has served four years with the U.S. Navy.



WREATHED IN SMILES . . . is this group of Torrance Junior Woman's club members pictured at the Ambassador Hotel, where they attended the 31st convention of the Los Angeles District Junior Woman's club last Friday and Saturday. Smilingly they accepted a number of honors for their club. They are, from left, Mrs. Robert Mowry, president; Mmes. R. J. Setting, John Kemp, Joe Bay, John Schwartz, Robert Waddell, and James K. Lees, president-elect.

## Torrance Juniors Bring Home Honors From Los Angeles District Conclave

At the Los Angeles District convention of Junior Woman's Clubs held last Friday and Saturday at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles a large delegation from the Torrance Junior Woman's Club was on hand to accept a number of honors won by their club.

Mrs. Robert Mowry, president of the local club, was presented with a 100 per cent president pin for her attendance at all district meetings held throughout the year.

The Torrance club's choral group, "The Pipers," won second place in district competition. This group, directed by Mrs. Allen E. Hofferber, is composed of Mmes. Richard T. Brundin, Charles Briner, Sid Gans, Earle Peterson, and James Van Dyck. Mrs. Lee Allen, civil defense chairman of the local club, won honorable mention for her report to the convention.

At the Friday banquet, Senator Kefauver made a surprise appearance and also on the program was Eleanor Powell, motion picture and television star.

The club members attending the 31st and last convention for the Los Angeles district, which has been divided into six districts were: Mmes. Mowry, Robert Waddell, Richard Heath, R. J. Setting, John Schwartz, James K. Lees, president-elect; Joe Bay, R. W. Stellar, John Kemp, Douglas Baldwin, Royal Penner, C. L. Briner, Sid Gans.

B. F. Townsend, George Blahnik, Charles Blahnik and Miss Gerry Wood.

Mrs. John Melville and Mrs. D. J. Thomson, senior club members, who are advisors to the Junior Club were also in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Davis and daughters Ann and Denise, of 21140 S. Berendo, returned recently from a three weeks' vacation. They visited San Francisco and from there went to Denver where they were guests of former classmates of Mr. and Mrs. Davis. Their next stop was in Okmawa, Iowa, where they visited Mr. Davis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, and Mrs. Davis' father, H. A. Cox. Mr. Davis is a fireman with the Los Angeles Fire Dept.

## ATTENDING STATE CONVENTION

Leaving last Friday for the state convention of Woman's Clubs in session in Berkeley, were Mrs. H. L. Mitchell, Torrance Woman's club president; Mrs. L. A. McCoy, president-elect and Mrs. D. J. Quinlan, federation chairman. The trio drove to Berkeley with Mr. McCoy and they will return by plane next Friday.

## SOBADA DANCERS

Sobada Dance Club will entertain with a Bavarian dance at its guest night affair, May 19 at the Assistance League. The group entertained last Saturday evening with a dance at a local restaurant. Serving on the committee were Messrs. and Mmes. Vern Lovelady, Swayne Johnson and Bernard Lee.